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STAFF REPORT

February 9, 2021

REQUEST: Review and Respond to City Council Bill #21-0002 - Real Property Tax – Installment Plans

RECOMMENDATION: CHAP has no objection to the bill.

STAFF: Stacy Montgomery

PETITIONER(S): Councilmembers Ramos, Dorsey, Burnett, Middleton, Stokes, McCray, Bullock, Schleifer, Cohen, Torrence, President Mosby

SUMMARY

The City Council bill seeks to authorize installment plans for the payment of real property taxes.

PROPOSAL

City Council Bill #21-0002 - Real Property Tax – Installment Plans has been introduced for the purpose of authorizing that the real property taxes owed on certain properties may be paid through a monthly installment plan. It establishes the maximum term for an installment payment plan. It authorizes certain payments may be subject to a service charge. It authorizes certain late payments shall be referred to the Tax Sale Ombudsman. It requires the Director of Finance to adopt regulations to implement this subtitle. It also defines certain terms, provides for a special effective date, and generally relates to installment payments of real property taxes in Baltimore City.

ANALYSIS

CHAP staff finds that the proposed amendments will have no impact on designated historic properties as the amendments do not affect CHAP's design review authority in its local historic districts.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends a finding no objection to the bill.

**Eric L. Holcomb
Executive Director**